

REVIEWS OF BOOKS.

LEHRBUCH DER SPECIELLEN CHIRURGIE FÜR AERZTE UND STUDIRENDE. Von DR. FRANZ KÖNIG, Berlin. Achte Auflage. I and II Band. Berlin: Verlag von August Hirschwald, 1904.

Four years have elapsed since the sixth edition of this extensive treatise on Surgery made its appearance, and for the first time the first and second volumes are published in the same year. This has been made possible by the aid of Professor König's son, Professor Fritz König, in Altona, who has co-operated with his father in the production of the second volume. The third volume is promised for the latter part of this year.

Volume I treats of the surgical diseases of the Head, Face, and Neck. It contains 803 pages of text. The changes to be noted in this volume are comparatively few. The volume might be improved by the addition of up-to-date illustrations and a good index.

Volume II, containing 941 pages, is devoted to the Surgery of the Thorax, Abdomen, and the Male Genito-Urinary Tract. The revision of this volume has been much more extensive than that of the first volume, although the American surgical teachings seem to find very little place even here. The chapters on Peritonitis and Intestinal Resection have been revised, but some of the more recent American operations are not mentioned. The chapters on Abdominal Tumors and Surgical Diseases of the Male Genito-Urinary Tract have been thoroughly revised.

Dr. Nitze has written the section on Cystoscopy.

Dr. König's Surgery has long been recognized as one of the standard German works, and it may be described as practical, systematic, and complete.

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ÉLÉMENTS DE PATHOLOGIE ET DE CLINIQUE CHIRURGICALES. Par le Dr. LEON MOYNAC, Ancien interne des hôpitaux de Paris, etc. Eighth Edition. Three volumes. Pp. 2000. Illustrated. Paris: G. Steinheil, 1903.

Under this title Dr. Moynac presents the eighth edition of a work that has had a steady circulation as a text-book for students in France. As the title indicates, the work endeavors to place before the reader in a concise manner the clinical aspect of surgical affections, together with the general and special pathology of each.

The broad principles of surgery and pathology, as accepted by recognized authorities to-day, are presented first in a clear and comprehensible manner, including the fundamentals of asepsis and antisepsis. Then follow the surgical diseases, and, lastly, the injuries, neoplasms, etc., arranged anatomically. The author covers not only the ground assigned to the general surgeon, but also devotes considerable space to the special branches, as the eye, ear, and nose.

Altogether, the three volumes, in arrangement, size, and material, constitute an acceptable addition to the working library of either practitioner or student.

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RADIOGRAPHY AND PHOTOTHERAPY, INCLUDING RADIUM AND HIGH-FREQUENCY CURRENTS. By CHARLES W. ALLEN, M.D., New York. New York and Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co., 1904.

The present volume is the product of three men,—Dr. Allen, who is Professor of Dermatology in the New York Post-Graduate Medical School; Milton Franklin, M.D., of the New York Poly-clinic Medical School, and Samuel Stern, M.D., Radiotherapist to Dr. Lustgarten's clinic at the Mount Sinai Hospital.

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